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377	15th "	..	No. 605 of 1899. No. 388 of 1890. No. 151 of 1892.	699	*Masulipatam Pensioners.* — Passing orders on petition from Asaf Ali Mirza Sahib, a Masulipatam pensioner, praying that his pension may be commuted or that he may be granted either a loan of Rs. 3,000 or 100 acres of land in the Bápatla taluk.

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378	1900. 15th June	..	..	718	*Petition from an Agathi Islander.*—Declining to interfere in the matter of a petition from one Ali Muhammad Haji of the Agathi island (Laccadives) appealing against the orders of the Collector of Malabar regarding his title to certain lands; and directing the Collector of Malabar to inform him accordingly.
379	15th "	..	..	661	*George Abraham, late Anchal Superintendent of the Cochin State.*—Requesting the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to inform — that the Governor in Council declines to interfere in the matter of his petition praying for an order directing his reinstatement in the Cochin service.
380 381	16th "	..	..	..	*His Highness the Raja of Pudukkóttai.*—
383 384	16th "	..	Nos. 462–63 of 1896. No. 289 of 1900.	767	*Mr. A. J. Ferguson.*—Requesting the Government of India to sanction the employment by the Travancore Darbar of — as Assistant Superintendent of Police on a salary of Rs. 200–50–300.
385	16th "	..	No. 304 of 1900.	806 807	*Chitrali Political Detenus.*—Communicating to the District Magistrate, the Nilgiris, translation of a note from Mehtar Shuja-ul-mulk received from the Government of India regarding the welfare of the wives of his elder brother, Amir-ul-mulk, one of the —, and returning to the District Magistrate the petition from Amir-ul-mulk on the same subject.
386	16th "	..	No. 233 of 1900. No. 296 of 1900. No. 318 of 1900.	815	*His Highness the Raja of Cochin.*—Communicating to the Collectors concerned telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin stating that — leaves Coonoor for Shoranur on the noon of the 20th June 1900.
387	16th "	..	No. 159 of 1900. No. 297 of 1899.	800	*"Surveillance" of Passengers disembarking from healthy Vessels.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Marine department, communicating to officers concerned letter from the Government of India declining to admit the arguments of the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, regarding the —.

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388	1900. 18th June	..	..	808	*Plague.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Marine department, ordering the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of telegram from the Government of India stating that intimation has been received from Hongkong of the existence of — in epidemic form since 1st March 1900 in Haikow and adjacent villages.
391 (834, Judl.)	19th „	..	..	2220, Judl.	*Commission for Examination of Witnesses.* — Forwarding to His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India, for favour of execution and return, a commission to the President of the Tribunal of First Instance, Karikal, issued by the District Munsif of Negapatam for the examination of certain witnesses residing at that place.
392	19th „	..	..	747	*Nayar Brigade.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin an application from Captain Keays, 28th Madras Infantry, for the command of one of the Battalions of the Travancore —.
393	19th „	..	Nos. 296–97 1900.	814	*Congratulations to Her Majesty the Queen-Empress by His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore on the occupation of Pretoria by the British Forces.*—Repeating to the Government of India the congratulatory message to Her Majesty the Queen-Empress by His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore on the occupation of Pretoria by British Forces, and recommending to the Government of India that as regards reply the same course may be adopted as in the case of the other ruling chiefs of equal rank who may have sent similar messages.
396	21st „	..	No. 106 of 1879. No. 350 of 1887. No. 261 of 1900.	829	*Carnatic Pensions.*— Directing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to inform Muhammad Habíb-ulláh Husain that his request for the commutation of his stipend cannot be granted.
397	23rd „	..	No. 638 of 1899. No. 708 of 1899. No. 835 of 1898.	769 802	*Austro-Hungarian Consul at Madras.* —Stating that Mr. August Scholl will be recognised as Acting — and informing the Government of India, by telegram, accordingly.

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398	1900. 25th June	..	No. 632 of 1899. No. 765 of 1899. No. 724 of 1899.	837	*Petition.*—Directing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to inform Saiyid Háfiẕ 'Abd-ul Ṣáḥib that the Government declines to reconsider its orders on his case conveyed in G.O., No. 632, Political, dated 21st September 1899.
399	26th "	..	No. 393 of 1900.	857	*Congratulations on the occupation of Pretoria.*—Repeating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin telegram from the Government of India stating that His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore may be informed that his — will be communicated to Her Majesty the Queen-Empress.
400	27th "	..	..	854	*Sandúru.*—Sanctioning as a special case the allotment of Rs. 75 from State funds to the Junior Rani of — for the reception of Srimanth Wukkaji Rao Kaka Ṣáḥib, uncle of the Maharaja of Baroda.
403	27th "	..	No. 249 R. of 1900. No. 220 R. of 1900.	825	*Petition.* — Informing Mamookil Kuruvalaskaria that the Government declines to interfere in the matter of his — complaining against M.R.Ry. Rajarathna Naiker, Second-class Magistrate, Changanachery, Travancore State.
404	27th "	..	..	823 871	*Ammunition required for the Police Force of the Pudukkóttai State.*—Communicating to the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, letter from the Government of India stating that orders will be issued for the supply of the ammunition, on payment, from the Madras Arsenal.
406	28th "	..	..	866	*Opium.*—Regarding the supply of — to the Travancore and Cochin Darbars.
407	29th "	..	..	821	*Petition.*—Directing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to inform Ghulám Quṭb-ud-dín and his sister that their request to be granted an allowance from their father's pension is inadmissible.

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408	1900. 29th June	..	..	849	*Return of Officers lent to Native States.*—Drawing the attention of the Political Agent, Sandúru, to the heading of the revised form of the return prescribed by the Secretary of State and printed in G.O., No. 264, Political of 1899, in respect of his enquiry as to whether the names of officers lent to Sandúru should be included in the annual returns.
409	30th "	..	..	835	*Cochin Regulations.*— Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin forwarding a draft regulation of the Cochin Darbar amending a previous proclamation forbidding the landing of goods at places on the coast other than Malipuram and Narakal.

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240	1900. 2nd June	..	..	729	*Books.*—Furnishing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin with three copies of the annual report of the Countess of Dufferin's Fund for 1899.
241	6th „	..	..	764	*Petition.*—Recording — from one Sundramien praying for relief in the matter of a farm leased by him pending receipt of the — submitted through the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
242	6th „	..	No. 192 R. of 1900.	765	*Application for Copy of Documents.*—Declining to comply with the request of the petitioner for the grant of copy of document.
243	7th „	..	No. 988 of 1894.	780	*Supply of Annual Reports, Proceedings, &c., to India Office.*—Recording proceedings, Public department, communicating despatch from the Secretary of State regulating the number of copies of certain annual reports and serial publications to be sent to the India Office, and directing the discontinuance of the practice of sending covering letters in certain cases and fixing the number of spare copies of despatch to be sent as they issue to the India Office.
244	9th „	..	..	..	*Banganapalle State.*— Forwarding to the Under Secretary of State 2 advance copies of the administration report of the — for the official year 1899-1900.

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245	1900. 12th June	..	..	794	*Draft Cochin Forest Bill.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Revenue department, requesting him to furnish information about the Cochin State monopoly over teak trees and wild elephants in connection with the proposed Forest Bill for Cochin.
246	12th "	..	..	795	*Application for Copies of certain Papers.* — Endorsing paragraph XV C. Petition Rules on petition from P. Alagia Manavala Sinhala Raja for a copy of the Government Order on the memorial submitted by him in 1898 and of the Government Agent's letter thereon.
247	15th "	..	..	757	*Cochin State.*—Forwarding to the India Office two advance copies of the administration report of the — for 1898–99.
248	18th "	..	No. 368 of 1900.	817	*Mr. H. W. M. Brown.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Revenue department, on Board's proceedings directing — to hand over charge of the Hosur circle to his assistant and proceed at once to take up his new appointment in Cochin.
249	18th "	..	..	813	*Petition.*—Recording duplicate of — submitted to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin by Mumutil Kuruvilla Skaria, Changacheri taluk, complaining of alleged irregular proceeding in the conduct of a case by the second-class Magistrate of Changacheri.
250	19th "	..	Nos. 316–17 of 1900.	..	*Ammunition.* — Requesting the Government of India to reply early to letter from this Government forwarding an indent for — required for the use of the police force of the Pudukkóttai State.
251	21st "	..	..	822	*Petition.*— Endorsing paragraph XV C. Petition Rules on — from Subbarayulu Naidu, Madura district, requesting that he may be given some allowance for the education of his children.

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252	1900. 25th June	..	..	838	*Import of pieces of metal resembling sovereigns and half-sovereigns.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Revenue department, communicating notification by the Government of India prohibiting the — into British India.
253	25th „	..	..	842	*Petition.*— Endorsing paragraph XIV C. Petition Rules on — from Alia Bégam, Ráyapuram, praying for the grant of a pension.
254	25th „	..	..	843	——— Endorsing paragraph XIV C. Petition Rules on — from Ashraf Ḥusain Ṣáḥib, Madras, praying that he may be granted a pension.
255	25th „	..	..	847	*Return of Documents.*—Communicating to the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, proceedings, Judicial department, cancelling G.O., No. 501, Judicial, dated 6th April 1900, and requesting the return of records forwarded with that order.
256 257	27th „	..	No. 501 of 1900, Rev.	864	*Customs Duty.*—Forwarding to the Government of India copies of communications addressed to the Diwans of Travancore and Cochin on the subject of — on sugar imported into British India from Chile.
258	27th „	..	No. 242 of 1900.	845	*Cochin Regulations.* — Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin forwarding ten copies of Regulation II of 1075 passed by His Highness the Raja of Cochin.
259	29th „	..	..	869	*Provident Funds.*—Recording proceedings, Judicial department, communicating correspondence from the Government of India stating that subscribers to the Police Officers' and other — who are in foreign service should subscribe on their "assumed" pay.
260	29th „	..	..	867	*Petition.*—Recording duplicate of — from Sulaiman 'Alí Khán of the Masulipatam family pending receipt of the original through the Collector of Kistna.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 355, 356, 1st June 1900.

JUNE.

Jurisdiction over the lands in the Travancore and Cochin States occupied by the Shoranur-Cochin Railway.

Forwarding to the Government of India a draft notification for the exercise of —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 815, Political, dated 20th December 1899.

Abstract.—Stating that further action will be taken by the Public Works Department (Railway Branch) with regard to the request of the Government of India to submit proposals for the exercise of jurisdiction over the lands occupied by the Shoranur-Cochin Railway, and requesting the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to obtain and forward to the Government an undertaking from the Cochin Darbar similar to that from the Travancore Darbar agreeing to contribute the usual proportionate charges on account of the police on the Shoranur-Cochin Railway.

G.O., Nos. 100, 101, Political, dated 10th February 1900.

Abstract.—Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin informing that the Cochin Darbar has agreed to bear the usual proportion of the police charges on the Shoranur-Cochin Railway.

Read—also the following papers:—

From the Public Works Dept. (Railway Branch), dated 30th April 1900, No. 92.

Telegram to the Collector of Malabar, dated 16th May 1900, No. 243.

" " Inspector-General of Police, dated 16th May 1900, No. 245.

" from the " " " 19th " "

" " Collector of Malabar, dated 19th May 1900.

Order—No. 355, Political, dated 1st June 1900.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Letter—No. 356, Political, dated Ootacamund, 1st June 1900, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

Adverting to Captain Daly's letter No. 3497-I/B., dated the 22nd November 1899, I am directed to forward the accompanying draft notification for the exercise of the jurisdiction on the lands in the Travancore and Cochin States occupied by the Shoranur-Cochin Railway.

2. With regard to paragraph 2 of the same communication, I am to refer to the marginally-noted correspondence from which it will be seen that both the Travancore and Cochin Darbars have agreed to contribute the usual proportionate charges on account of the cost of the police on this railway.

1. Paragraph 2 of letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, Ref. on C. No. 3653, dated 27th November 1899, copy forwarded to the Government of India under Endt. No. 788, Political, dated 5th December 1899.
2. Letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, Ref. on C. No. 204, dated 27th January 1900, copy forwarded to the Government of India under Endt. No. 101, Political, dated 10th February 1900.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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ANNEXURE.

Draft Notification.

Whereas His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore and His Highness the Raja of Cochin have ceded to the British Government full and exclusive power and jurisdiction within the lands which lie within their respective States and are occupied, or may be hereafter occupied, by the Shoranur-Cochin Railway (including the lands occupied by stations, by out-buildings and for other railway purposes): in exercise of this jurisdiction and of the powers conferred by sections 4 and 5 of the Foreign Jurisdiction and Extradition Act, 1879, and of all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to issue the following orders:—

(1) The portion of the aforesaid lands lying between the British Cochin boundary and the distant signal post on the south side of the Trichur railway station shall be deemed to be part of the Walavanad taluk of the Malabar district and the portion lying between the aforesaid signal post and Ernakulam railway terminus and including the latter place shall be deemed to be part of the Cochin taluk of that district.

(2) All laws in force in the Malabar district of the Madras Presidency shall be deemed to be in force in the aforesaid lands.

(3) All authorities possessing executive powers within the Walavanad taluk of the Malabar district may exercise the same powers within the portions of the aforesaid lands which are hereby declared to form part of that taluk.

(4) All authorities possessing executive powers within the Cochin taluk of the Malabar district may exercise the same powers within the portions of the aforesaid lands which are hereby declared to form part of that taluk.

(5) British Courts having jurisdiction within the Walavanad taluk of the Malabar district may exercise, within the portions of the aforesaid lands which are hereby declared to form part of that taluk, the same jurisdiction as they, respectively, exercise within the said taluk.

(6) British Courts having jurisdiction within the Cochin taluk of the Malabar district may exercise, within the portions of the aforesaid lands which are hereby declared to form part of that taluk, the same jurisdiction as they, respectively, exercise within the said taluk.

(7) Within the aforesaid lands the administration of the police shall be vested in the Inspector-General of Police of the Madras Presidency, who shall have the same police powers within the aforesaid lands as may be exercised by him under any law that may be in force in the Malabar district.

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G.O., No. 357, 1st June 1900.

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Mining Rules for the Travancore State.

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin letter from the Government of India modifying the proposed draft —, and requesting him to ascertain and report whether the Travancore State is prepared to adopt them as amended and to forward a revised draft of the rules as finally adopted.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., Nos. 230, 231, Political, dated 4th April 1900.

Abstract.—Forwarding to the Government of India, for orders, a draft set of rules which the Travancore Darbar propose to adopt for the regulation of the mining concessions of that State.

Read— also the following paper :—

From J. B. WOOD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, in the Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 16th May 1900, No. 2144 I.-A.

I am directed to reply to your letter No. 231, Political, dated the 4th April 1900, forwarding a draft of rules proposed by the Travancore Darbar for the regulation of mining concessions in that State.

2. The Governor-General in Council is prepared to allow Native States, which have adopted rules sanctioned by the Government of India, to grant exploring and prospecting licenses under those rules without reference to the Local Government, provided that mining leases are granted only with the sanction of the Government of India. To effect this in the case of the Travancore rules, it will be necessary to modify Rule 26 as suggested by the Madras Government, and to add a clause to Rule 16 providing that the licensee's right to a mining lease shall be subject to the final sanction of the Government of India. The word "Darbar" may, as suggested in your letter, be substituted for the word "Government" wherever the latter expression is used to designate the Travancore Government.

Order—No. 357, Political, dated 1st June 1900.

Communicated to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, who will be requested to ascertain and report whether the Travancore Darbar is prepared to adopt the proposed mining rules with the following amendments :—

(1) After the word "contained" in Rule 16, add the words "and to the proviso contained in Rule 26 as regards the grant of mining leases —."

(2) Substitute for rule 26 the following—

"26. Any prospecting license which may be issued under the foregoing rules shall be issued subject to the proviso that the grant of a mining lease of any portion of the area prospected shall be conditional on the previous sanction of the Government of India."

2. The Resident will explain to the Darbar that the suggestion approved in the concluding clause of the letter of the Government of India read above is intended to avoid possible confusion. He will advise the Darbar to adopt the amendment generally.

3. In the event of the above proposals being accepted by the Darbar, the Resident should forward a revised draft of the rules as finally adopted.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

Copy to the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, }
" " " , Banganapalli, } for information.
" " " , Sandur, }
" " Revenue Department.

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ANNEXURE.

RULES for the grant of licenses to explore and prospect for minerals and of mining leases in Travancore.

In these rules person includes any persons, syndicate, partnership or company.

A license or lease under these rules may be granted to any person; in case of the death of the person or any of the persons to whom it is granted, it shall inure for the benefit of his legal representatives.

Exploring licenses.

A license to explore land for minerals or mineral oil, called hereinafter an exploring license, will authorise the licensee to search the surface of the land specified in the license for minerals of every description and for mineral oil, and subject to such restrictions as the Darbar may from time to time impose, to remove any specimens or samples found by the licensee in or upon such land.

[*Note.*—The surface of unoccupied and unreserved land which is the property of the Travancore State may be freely searched without a license, but the Darbar does not object to granting a license to explore when one is applied for.]

2. Such license shall not authorise the licensee to enter upon any land in the occupation of any person without the consent of the occupier.

3. Such license cannot be assigned nor can any right or interest thereunder be transferred without the assent of the Darbar.

4. Such license shall not authorise the licensee to mine or quarry, but he may turn up to such depth as the Diwan may sanction, and, subject to such conditions as he may impose, the surface of unoccupied land, or, with the consent of the occupier, that of land in the occupation of any person.

5. Such license may be granted by such person and under such rules as the Darbar may prescribe.

6. Every such license shall run for one year, but may be renewed for a further similar term by the same authority, and there shall be paid for each license or renewal such fee, not exceeding Rs. 10, as the Darbar may prescribe.

7. A royalty shall be payable to the Darbar on the value of all precious stones found and removed by an explorer, whether he has taken out a license or not. In the case of licenses such royalty shall be at such rate, not exceeding 15 per cent. as shall be fixed by the license, and in the case of an unlicensed explorer shall be 15 per cent., on the value of the stones removed. Neglect to report the discovery of any such stone within a reasonable time shall involve the forfeiture of the license and of all claim to have an application for a prospecting license or mining lease favourably considered.

8. Such license shall give no exclusive or preferential rights, but in considering rival claims for a prospecting license or mining lease, due regard will be had to operations conducted under cover of an exploring license.

Prospecting Licenses.

9. A license to prospect for minerals or mineral oil, called hereinafter a prospecting license, shall confer on the licensee the sole right, subject to the conditions contained in the license, to mine, quarry, bore, dig and search for, win, work, and carry away any mineral or mineral oil specified in the license, and lying or being within, under, or throughout the land specified in the license. Such license shall apply only to the area described in the license.

10. No prospecting license shall be granted except to a person approved by the Darbar, and such person shall, before the license is granted, deposit as security in respect of each license such sum, not being less than Rs. 100, as the Diwan may determine or give security to the like amount to the satisfaction of the Diwan. Subject to such deduction on account of compensation for surface damage as the Diwan may order, the amount of any deposit made under this rule, should the depositor afterwards become the lessee of any mining lease, will be carried to his credit as part of the rents and royalties payable under his lease, and should he decline or fail to obtain any such lease as aforesaid, will be returned to him.

11. (1) Every application for a prospecting license shall be made to the Diwan.

(2) Every such application shall contain the following particulars, namely:—

(*a*) The name, residence and profession of the applicant.

(*b*) A description as accurate as possible and illustrated by a rough sketch of the situation, boundaries and area of the land with respect to which the license is required; and

(*c*) A specification of the mineral or minerals for which the applicant desires to prospect.

12. On receipt of any such application the Diwan shall, as soon as practicable, inquire whether the grant of the license applied for is inexpedient either on the ground that the land described in the application is required for a public purpose or otherwise.

13. (1) Should the Diwan be of opinion that it is not expedient to grant the license, he shall refuse to grant the license.

(2) Subject to the rule, the Diwan if he finds that there is no objection to the grant of the license applied for, may, with the previous sanction of His Highness the Maharaja, grant to the applicant a license in such form as may be prescribed.

14. A register of applications for prospecting licenses shall be kept in English in the Diwan's office specifying—

(1) The name of applicant.
(2) Date.
(3) Residence of applicant.
(4) Situation of the land.
(5) Boundaries.
(6) Estimated area.
(7) Date of license.
(8) Rent and royalty payable.
(9) Period for which granted.

15. Every prospecting license shall contain such conditions as may, in any particular case, seem necessary, and shall in all cases contain the following conditions :—

(i) The term for which the license shall be granted shall be one year or such shorter term as the applicant may desire. The license may be renewed by the Diwan for a further term not exceeding two years, whenever he is satisfied that the licensee has been prevented from completing his search of the land by any cause other than his own default.

(ii) A moderate rent not exceeding Re. 1 per acre shall be paid for the land covered by the license.

(iii) The licensee shall pay a royalty at a rate not exceeding 15 per cent. of the value on all precious stones won and carried away and a royalty at the rates specified in schedule (*c*) on all other minerals won and carried away over and above such quantity as the Darbar may allow to be taken free for purposes of experiment.

(iv) No land in the occupation of any person shall be entered upon without the consent of the occupier, and no trees, standing crops, or other private property shall be cut or in any way injured without the consent of the owner thereof.

(v) The licensee shall make and pay reasonable satisfaction and compensation for all injury which may be done by him in exercise of the powers granted by the license, and shall indemnify the Darbar against all claims which may be made by third parties in respect of any such damage or injury.

(vi) The licensee shall not cut or injure any tree on unoccupied and unreserved land without the permission of the Diwan in writing.

(vii) Such license cannot be assigned nor can any right or interest thereunder be transferred without the consent of the Darbar.

(viii) In case of any breach on the part of the licensee of any of the five last preceding clauses, the Diwan may summarily revoke the license, and thereupon all rights conferred thereby or enjoyed thereunder shall cease.

(ix) The licensee shall within six months next after the determination of the license or the date of the abandonment of the undertaking, whichever shall first occur, securely plug any bores and fill up or fence any holes or excavations that he may have made in the land to such extent as the Diwan may require, and shall to the like extent restore the surface of the land and all buildings thereon which he may have damaged in the course of prospecting. Provided that this clause shall not apply to any land held under a mining lease.

(x) Should any question of dispute arise regarding the license, or any matter or thing connected therewith, or the powers of the licensee thereunder, or the amount or payment of the rent or royalty made payable thereby, the matter in difference shall be decided by the Darbar, whose decision shall be final.

16. On or before the determination of his license, the licensee shall have a right, subject to the rules hereinafter contained and to the express proviso contained in rule 26 as regards mining leases.

(*a*) In the case of mineral oil or minerals other than precious stones to a mining lease in accordance with the terms contained in rules for mining leases.

(*b*) In the case of precious stones, to the first offer of such mining lease as the Darbar may think fit to grant.

Such lease may include so much land, whether comprising the whole or a part only of the area for which the prospecting license was granted, as shall not exceed the area specified with respect to mining leases in schedule A annexed to these rules.

Mining Leases.

17. Every application for the grant of a mining lease shall be presented to the Diwan. The Darbar may by general or special order require a deposit of money not exceeding Rs. 500 to be made by the applicant in any case or class of cases before the application is taken into consideration.

18. Every application for a mining lease shall contain—

(*a*) The name, residence and profession of the applicant.

(*b*) The name of the mineral for which the applicant intends to mine.

(*c*) A map of the area over which the proposed lease is to extend.

19. On receipt of any such application, the Diwan may, if the applicant is entitled to a lease under rule 16, or if he considers that the applicant should be granted a mining lease, grant the same with the sanction of His Highness the Maharaja in accordance with these rules over such one or more blocks each not exceeding in extent the area specified in schedule A annexed to these rules as the Darbar may think fit.

Provided that no mining lease shall be granted under these rules so as to cause the total area held under mining leases by the lessee or by those joint in interest with him to exceed ten square miles.

20. The length of a block shall ordinarily not be allowed to exceed four times its breadth.

21. The term for which a mining lease may be granted shall not exceed thirty years.

22. Every such lease shall contain such conditions and stipulations as the Darbar may in each case consider necessary, but shall in every case contain the following conditions, namely:—

(i) The lessee shall pay a royalty at the rate specified in the lease, which rate shall be that fixed for the particular mineral in schedule C, and if any other mineral shall be discovered by him, then the royalty shall be paid therefor at such rate not being less than 20 per cent. of the value thereof as the Darbar may determine, until a mining lease has been obtained in respect of such mineral; but the lessee shall be entitled to require and obtain such lease for the term, then unexpired, of his original lease upon the terms hereinbefore mentioned in rule 16.

(ii) The lessee shall also pay for every year after the first year a fixed yearly dead-rent at a rate not less than that laid down in schedule B, provided that no lessee shall pay both royalty and dead-rent in respect of the same lease, but only such one of them as may be of the greater amount.

(iii) The lessee shall also pay for all land which he may take up, use or occupy for the purpose of the mine a surface rent at the rates specified in schedule B.

(iv) The lessee shall at his own expense erect and at all times maintain and keep in repair boundary marks and pillars according to the demarcation to be shown in a plan annexed to his lease.

(v) The lessee shall make and pay reasonable satisfaction and compensation for all injury which may be done by him in exercise of the powers granted by the lease, and shall indemnify the Darbar against all claims which may be made by third parties in respect of any such injury.

(vi) The lessee shall not cut or injure any tree reserved in the lease.

(vii) Neither the lessee nor any person claiming through or under him shall assign the lease or transfer any right or interest thereunder or underlet the whole or any portion of the premises comprised in such lease without the assent of the Darbar first had and obtained.

(viii) The lessee shall commence operations within two years from the date of the execution of the lease and shall thereafter carry them on effectually in a proper, skilful, and mining-like manner unless prevented by unavoidable cause.

(ix) The lessee shall keep correct accounts showing the quantity and particulars of all minerals obtained from the mine and the number of persons employed therein and also complete plans of the mine and shall allow any officer authorised by the Darbar in that behalf at any time to examine such accounts and plans and shall furnish the Darbar with such information and returns in respect of the aforesaid matter, as it may prescribe.

[*Note.*—All information and returns obtained or furnished under this clause shall be treated as strictly confidential.]

(x) The lessee shall allow any officer authorised by the Darbar in that behalf to enter upon the premises comprised in the lease for the purpose of inspecting the same.

(xi) The lessee shall without delay send to the Diwan a report of any accident which may occur at or in the said premises and also the finding therein of any mineral not specified in the lease.

(xii) Should the royalty or rent reserved or made payable by the lease be not paid within two months next after the date fixed in the lease for the payment of the same, the Darbar may enter upon the said premises and distrain all or any of the minerals or moveable property therein, and may carry away or detain them until the rent or royalty due and all costs and

expenses occasioned by the non-payment thereof shall be fully paid; and, if any royalty or rent remain at any time unpaid for six calendar months after the date on which it is due, the Darbar may determine the lease and take possession of the premises comprised therein.

(xiii) In the case of any breach on the part of the lessee of any covenant or condition contained in the lease, the Darbar may determine the lease and take possession of the said premises.

(xiv) At the end or sooner determination of the lease the lessee shall deliver up the said premises and all mines (if any) dug therein, in proper and a workman like state, save in respect of any working as to which the Darbar may have sanctioned abandonment.

(xv) Should any question or dispute arise regarding the lease, or any matter or thing connected with the mines or minerals leased, or the working or non-working thereof, or the amount or payment of the royalty or rent reserved or made payable by the lease, the matter in difference shall be decided by the Darbar whose decision thereon shall be final.

General provisions as to licenses and leases.

23. (1) All operations conducted under the authority of these rules within a reserved forest shall be subject to such conditions as the Darbar may by general or special order from time to time prescribe.

(2) It shall be a condition of every license granted under these rules that, before the commencement of exploration or prospecting (as the case may be) within a reserved forest, notice shall be given to the Conservator of the intention to commence operations and that the operations shall be conducted subject to any conditions regarding the use of fire that he may prescribe.

(3) Every mining lease which includes any portion of a reserved forest shall, if it authorises the lessee to fell timber for mining purposes, specify the area within which, or the quantity up to which and the terms and conditions upon which he may exercise that authority.

24. Should the applicant for a prospecting license or mining lease desire the Diwan to prepare for him the sketch required by Rule 11 (2) (*b*) or the map required by Rule 18 (*c*) or should the sketch or map presented by the applicant be insufficient, the Diwan may prepare the sketch or map required and may, if he so order, recover the cost from the applicant at a rate not exceeding As. 4 per acre. If the Darbar has prepared a map of a tract of country specially for the convenience of the intending applicants for licenses and leases under these rules and if any applicant makes use of such map for the sketch or map aforesaid, it will be open to the Darbar to recover as above such share of the cost of preparing the map as it may consider to be equitably due from such applicant.

25. If a license or lease is not executed within six months after leave has been granted for it, the right of the applicant to such license or lease shall be held to have lapsed unless the Darbar for special reasons consents to grant the same, notwithstanding the delay.

26. Any prospecting license which may be issued under the foregoing rules shall be issued subject to the proviso that the grant of a mining lease of any portion of the area prospected shall be conditional on the previous sanction of the Government of India.

Schedule A.

[*Vide* No. 19 of the Rules.]

Maximum area in square miles for mining lease.

Coal	2
Oil	1
Gold or silver	$\frac{1}{4}$
Metals	$\frac{1}{2}$
Precious stones	Will be decided by the Darbar in each case on its merits.

Schedule B.

[*Vide* Nos. 15 (ii), 22 (ii) and 22 (iii) of the Rules.]

—	Prospecting.	Mining. Surface rent per acre.	Mining. Dead rent per acre (minimum).
Rent charged for—			
Coal	A moderate rent not exceeding one rupee per acre.	The rent rate assessable under the Revenue or Rent Law of the State; or if no such rent is so assessable, the rate which may be fixed by agreement subject to a maximum of Re. 1.	4 Annas.
Oil			1 Rupee.
Gold or silver			1 ,,
Iron			1 Anna.
Other metals			1 Rupee.

Schedule C.

[*Vide* Nos. 15 (iii) and 22 (i) of the Rules.]

Prospecting and Mining.

Royalty.

Coal, exclusive of dust and coal used in the works.	1 anna per ton.
Oil	8 annas per 40 gallons or 5 per cent. *ad valorem* on gross value.
Gold or silver	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the net profits of each year taken separately.
Iron	$\frac{1}{2}$ anna per ton of ironstone.
Copper, tin, lead or other metals	$2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the sale value at the pit's mouth or on the surface of the dressed ore or metal convertible at the option of the lessee to an equivalent charge per ton to be fixed annually or for a term.
Precious stones	30 per cent. on the net profits of each year taken separately.

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G.O., No. 358, 2nd June 1900.

JUNE.

Banganapalle State.

Forwarding, with remarks, to the Political Agent, Banganapalle, a spare copy of his review on the Administration report of the — for 1899-1900 to be returned duly signed by him.

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Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 510, Political, dated 2nd August 1899.

Abstract.—Passing orders regarding the prompt submission by Political officers of their reviews on the administration reports of Native States in print.

Read—also the following papers :—

From the Political Agent for Banganapalle State, Kurnool, dated 26th May 1900, No. 119, Political.

Abstract.—Submitting a manuscript copy of his review on the administration report of Banganapalle State for 1899–1900 together with 32 copies of the Nawab's report (in print) for that year.

Order—No. 358, Political, dated 2nd June 1900.

With the letter read above the Political Agent, Banganapalle, has submitted a manuscript copy of his review on the administration report of the Banganapalle State for the year 1899–1900 and has intimated the fact of his having requested the Superintendent, Government Press, to forward copies of the printed review to Government. These copies have been received from the Government Press. The Political Agent should, however, have submitted a signed copy of the printed review instead of a manuscript "true" copy thereof. A spare copy of the review will accordingly be forwarded to that officer with the request that he will return it duly signed.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Political Agent, Banganapalle, with manuscript copy of the review returned and with a spare copy thereof to be returned signed.

Copy to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, } for information and guidance.
" " Political Agent, Pudukkóttai,
" " " Sanduru,

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G.O., No. 360, 2nd June 1900.

JUNE.

Supply of small silver coins and copper to the Cochin State.

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin by telegram the sanction of the Comptroller-General for the — by the Bank of Madras to meet the urgent demands caused by the withdrawal of *puthens* from circulation.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers :—

Telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, Trivandrum, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, Ootacamund, dated 13th May 1900.

Because of recall of puthens, Ernaculam Treasury urgently requires small British coin. Diwan arranged Madras Bank supply eight annas one thousand rupees, four annas five thousand rupees, two annas twenty thousand rupees, half annas ten thousand rupees, quarter annas ten thousand rupees, pies four thousand rupees, total half lakh. Madras Bank now says accounts object small silver required for famine, copper requires sanction of Comptroller. Diwan requests you obtain sanction for this supply which is urgently needed at Ernaculam.

Telegram to the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 15th May 1900.

"No. 239. Travancore Resident wires that because of recall of puthens in Cochin State, Darbar arranged with Madras Bank for supply of small silver and copper for half lakh. Bank now says that you object to supply as small silver required for famine and copper requires Controller's sanction. Supply urgently needed Ernaculam. Please wire whether there is any way of meeting wishes of Darbar."

Telegram from the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 16th May 1900.

Abstract.—Stating that the Comptroller-General has been asked by wire for sanction to supply copper and for remittance of double annas and pie pieces for the Ernaculam Treasury.

Telegram to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, dated 17th May 1900, No. 250.

Telegram to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, dated 31st May 1900, No. 272.

Telegram from the Accountant-General, Fort St. George, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Ootacamund, dated 1st June 1900.

Your telegram thirty-first. Sanction received and small coin supplied Cochin Darbar.

Order—No. 360, Political, dated 2nd June 1900.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin :—

252. My telegram 250, 17th May. Accountant-General intimates sanction received and small coin supplied Cochin Darbar.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

GOVERNMENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

POLITICAL (1900) *DEPARTMENT.*

(Copy.)

Letter to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.

Dated 7th June, No. 1 of 1900.

Forwarding annual return of officers in Foreign Service in the Native States of the Madras Presidency for the year ending 31st March 1900.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Letter—to

The Right Honourable the SECRETARY of STATE for INDIA.

My Lord,

We have the honour to forward, for your Lordship's information, a return of officers in Foreign Service in Native States corrected up to the 31st March last, which has been prepared in accordance with the instructions conveyed in Government of India Foreign Department letter No. 359-G., dated the 11th March 1899.

We have the honour to be,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) A. E. HAVELOCK.
(„) A. T. ARUNDEL.
(„) H. M. WINTERBOTHAM.

Ootacamund,
7th May 1900.

[Appendix.

Annual Return of Officers in Foreign Service in Native States corrected up to the 31st March 1900.

PART I.—OFFICERS SERVING (CONTINUOUSLY FROM THE 31ST MARCH 1899 TO THE 31ST MARCH 1900) ON THE 31ST MARCH 1899.

Serial No.	Names.	State to which transferred.	Appointment in British Service.	Pay in British Service.	Date of first appointment in British Service.	Age.	Date of transfer to the State.	Duties in the State.	Emoluments actually received from the State on the 31st March 1900. Net pay.	Allowances.	Amount received for Foreign Service Contributions.	Remarks.
				RS. A. P.		YRS.			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
1	Whiteley, J. J. ..	Mysore ..	Executive Engineer, 1st grade.	1,000 0 0	23rd Sept. 1881.	40	1st Dec. 1893.	Officiating Superintending Engineer, Western Circle, Mysore, Public Works Department.	..	..	287 8 0	On 14 months' furlough to England, with effect from the 14th September 1899. His pay and allowances before he went on furlough were as follows:— RS. A. P. Net pay .. 1,000 0 0 Officiating allowance .. 100 0 0 Exchange compensation allowance .. 69 15 4
2	Allen, P. R. ..	Hyderabad.	Executive Engineer, 2nd grade.	850 0 0	1st Oct. 1882.	39	1st Jan. 1898.	Chief Engineer for Irrigation.	1,500 0 0	..	275 0 0	Allowed when on tour a travelling allowance of Rs. 8–8–10 per diem.
3	K. Krishnaswami Rao, Diwan Bahadur.	Travancore.	Subordinate Judge (2nd grade).	650 0 0	14th Oct. 1864.	54	27th July 1884.	Diwan of Travancore.	1,964 14 7	..	100 0 0	
4	T. Kunhi Ramen Nair.	Do.	District Munsif, first-grade.	400 0 0	21st Mar. 1861.	56	15th Jan. 1882.	Puisne Judge, High Court.	884 3 4	..	68 12 4	
5	Major F. W. Dawson, I.S.C.	Do.	Assistant Resident in Travancore and Cochin and Commandant, Resident's Escort.	600 0 0	23rd July 1879.	42	31st Oct. 1895..	Commandant, Nayar Brigade.	1,000 0 0	*200 0 0	Exempted.	* Rupees 200 for the charge of His Highness the Maharaja's Body Guard.

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PART I.—OFFICERS SERVING (CONTINUOUSLY FROM THE 31ST MARCH 1899 TO THE 31ST MARCH 1900) ON THE 31ST MARCH 1899—*cont.*

Serial No.	Names.	State to which transferred.	Appointment in British Service.	Pay in British Service.	Date of first appointment in British Service.	Age.	Date of transfer to the State.	Duties in the State.	Emoluments actually received from the State on the 31st March 1900. Net pay.	Allowances.	Amount received for Foreign Service contributions.	Remarks.
				RS. A. P.		YRS.			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
6	Captain J. J. P. Quinn, I.S.C.	Travancore.	Wing Officer, 28th Madras Infantry.	474 0 0	11th Feb. 1888.	32	27th Aug. 1895.	Commandant, 1st Battalion, Nayar Brigade.	500 0 0	* 50 0 0	Exempted.	* House-rent.
7	Lieutenant E. E. Bousfield.	Do.	Wing Officer, 26th Madras Infantry.	325 0 0	21st Sept. 1889.	30	17th Sept. 1897.	Commandant, 2nd Battalion, Nayar Brigade.	500 0 0	† 50 0 0	Do.	† House-rent.
8	Sergeant-Major W. Cox.	Do.	Sergeant, 2nd Battalion, Somerset Light Infantry.	67 0 0	17th May 1879.	45	14th Nov. 1889.	Sergeant-Major, Nayar Brigade.	100 0 0	‡ 70 0 0	..	‡ Rupees 50 for doing duties of Quartermaster-Sergeant and Rs. 20 house-rent.
9	Mr. P. M. Sweeny.	Do.	First-class Inspector of Police.	200 0 0	19th July 1872.	47	1st Sept. 1896.	Assistant Superintendent of Police.	310 0 0	Rs. 3 per diem.	25 0 0	
10	Major H. Thomson, I.M.S.	Do.	Civil Surgeon, Cocanada.	750 0 0	29th Sept. 1883.	43	4th Sept. 1898.	Darbar Physician to His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore.	1,200 0 0	..	..	Free quarters.
11	P. Rajagopala Chari.	Cochin ..	Assistant to the Collector and Magistrate of the district, Madura.	358 6 5	13th May 1886.	38	18th Dec. 1896.	Diwan to His Highness the Raja.	1,150 0 0	..	44 12 10	
12	S. Swaminatha Aiyar.	Do. ..	Deputy Collector, 4th grade.	400 0 0	4th Aug. 1879.	44	15th Aug. 1897.	Comptroller of Accounts.	700 0 0	..	50 0 0	
13	J. Thompson ..	Do. ..	Second Assistant Superintendent, Madras Survey.	425 0 0	1st Aug. 1869.	50	24th June 1898.	Superintendent of Revenue Survey.	550 0 0	..	53 2 0	

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Part I.—Officers serving (continuously from the 31st March 1899 to the 31st March 1900) on the 31st March 1899—*cont.*

Serial No.	Names.	State to which transferred.	Appointment in British Service.	Pay in British Service.	Date of first appointment in British Service.	Age.	Date of transfer to the State.	Duties in the State.	Emoluments actually received from the State on the 31st March 1900. Net pay.	Allowances.	Amount received for Foreign Service contributions.	Remarks.
				RS. A. P.		YRS.			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P	
14	S. Venkataramadas Nayudu, B.A., B.L., Diwan Bahadur.	Pudukkóttai	Deputy Collector, 3rd grade.	500 0 0	17th Jan. 1888.	37	9th Feb. 1899.	Diwan	600 0 0	..	62 8 0	
15	R. McMahon ..	Do.	Assistant Superintendent, 3rd class, Madras Survey.	300 0 0	1st Nov. 1878.	52	5th April 1895.	Superintendent, Revenue Survey.	300 0 0	..	31 4 0	
16	Vijaya Raghunatha Dorairaja.	Do.	Deputy Collector, 6th grade.	250 0 0	18th Dec. 1896.	27	16th Mar. 1898.	State Councillor ..	300 0 0	..	..	Has been on leave without allowances during his employment as Councillor. Resignation of British Service accepted 2nd April 1900.
17	K. Bappu ..	Sandúru ..	Hospital Assistant, 2nd class.	35 0 0	30th June 1888.	..	1st Aug. 1898.	Hospital Assistant..	35 0 0	*10 0 0	4 6 0	* Charge allowance.
18	T. Kothandarama Nayudu.	Do.	Tahsildar, Adóni.	200 0 0	25th Nov. 1887.	52	3rd June 1897.	Diwan of Sandúru..	250 0 0	..	25 0 0	

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PART II.—OFFICERS TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRED DURING THE YEAR OR WHO LEFT BEFORE THE 31ST MARCH 1900.

Serial No.	Names.	State to which transferred.	Appointment in British Service.	Pay in British Service.	Date of first appointment in British Service.	Age.	Date of transfer to the State.	Duties in the State.	Emoluments actually received from the State immediately before the termination of service in it.			Remarks.
									Net pay.	Allowances.	Amount received for Foreign Service contribution.	
				RS. A. P.		YRS.			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
1	Major J. W. Evans, I.M.S.	Travancore.	District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Bellary.	750 0 0	31st Mar. 1880.	43	9th Dec. 1898.	Acting Darbar Physician to His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore.	975 0 0	..	..	Left the Darbar's service on the 30th Nov. 1899. Acted for Major Thomson while that officer was on leave.
2	V. Alwar Chetti.	Cochin ..	Extra Assistant Conservator of Forests.	300 0 0	15th Oct. 1886..	33	21st April 1899.	Conservator of Forests.	500 0 0	..	37 8 0	The period of employment is for seven years.
3	Kuppusawmi Pillai.	Pudukkóttai	First-grade Head Constable.	25 0 0	1st Nov. 1867..	51	10th April 1899 to 10th July 1899. Lent again from 8th Jan. 1900.	Police Inspector ..	50 0 0	15 0 0	3 2 0	Returned to British Service on the 11th July 1899 and was lent again from the 8th Jan. 1900.
4	A. Sundaram Aiyar.	Banganapalle.	Fourth-grade Sub-Inspector, Salt and Abkári Department.	40 0 0	1st Aug. 1888.	33	27th Oct. 1899.	Inspector of the Abkári Department. Deputed to inspect toddy groves in order to determine whether the tree-tax system should be introduced in the State.	40 0 0	10 0 0	..	Relieved on the afternoon of the 26th Jan. 1900.
5	T. Sankara Rao ..	Cochin ..	Fifth Assistant Lecturer, Kumbakónam College.	100 0 0	12th Dec. 1882.	42	14th June 1897.	Guardian and Tutor to the Junior Princes, Cochin.	300 0 0	..	12 8 0	Returned to British Service on 14th June 1899.

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G.O., No. 365, 8th June 1900.

JUNE.

Survey of the Cochin Forests.

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Proceedings, Revenue Department, on letter from the Government of India stating that the question of deputing a survey party to survey the Cochin forests will be considered along with the programme for the coming field season.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 72, Political, dated 29th January 1900.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to obtain and forward the information required by the Government of India as to the approximate extent of the forests of the Cochin State in connection with their proposed survey.

G.O., Mis. Nos. 954, 955, Revenue, dated 7th April 1900.

Read—the following letter from G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trichur, 14th March 1900, Ref. on C. No. 909 :—

With reference to G.O., No. 72, Political, dated 29th January 1900, I have the honour to state that the approximate extent of the forests in Cochin to be surveyed is reported to be 500 square miles.

Order—Mis. No. 954, Revenue, dated 7th April 1900.

The following letter will be despatched.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

Letter—Mis. No. 955, Revenue, dated 7th April 1900, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture (Land Survey).

In continuation of the correspondence ending with your endorsement No. 116—177-2, dated the 12th January 1900, I am directed to state that the approximate extent of the forests in the Cochin State which fall to be surveyed is reported to be 500 square miles.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

READ—also the following paper :—

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, dated 12th May 1900, No. 959—177-5.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 955, dated the 7th April 1900, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter from the Surveyor-General of India, No. 4 S., dated the 4th May 1900, and to say that the question of deputing a survey party to Cochin will be considered along with the survey programme for the coming field season.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Surveyor-General of India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture, dated 4th May 1900, No. 4-S.

With reference to the letter of the Government of Madras forwarded under your endorsement No. 22--177-1, of 5th January 1900, and that forwarded with your No. 789—177-3, of 19th April 1900, I have the honour to state that I am not in a position, until the programme for the coming season has been made out, to say whether a detachment can be deputed to survey the Cochin forests.

The Government of Burma has expressed a wish to have another forest survey party for work in that Province, so that at present it appears very unlikely that we shall be able to take up the Cochin work, as none of the survey parties will be available owing to the completion of their work this year.

Endorsement, in the Revenue Department, Mis. No. 1413, dated 25th May 1900.

ORDER—No. 365, Political, dated 8th June 1900.

Communicated to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 366, 367, 8th June 1900.

JUNE.

Body Guard of His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore.

Forwarding to the Government of India, Military Department, an indent, in duplicate, for accoutrements and saddlery required for the use of the — and requesting the sanction of the Government of India for the supply of the stores entered therein, on payment, by the Madras Arsenal.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 14th May 1900, Ref. on C. No. 1401.

I have the honour to forward herewith an indent for saddlery required for the use of the Body Guard of His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore, and to request that orders may be issued for the articles being supplied on payment by the Commissary of Ordnance, Madras.

ORDER—No. 366, Political, dated 8th June 1900.

The indent will be forwarded to the Government of India, Military Department.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

LETTER—No. 367, Political, dated Ootacamund, 8th June 1900, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I am directed to forward an indent, in duplicate, for accoutrements and saddlery required for the use of the Body Guard of His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore, and to request that the sanction of the Government of India may be accorded to the supply of the stores entered therein, on payment, by the Madras Arsenal.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 374, 375, 13th June 1900.

JUNE.

Pudukkottai State.

Reviewing the budget estimates of the — for fasli 1310 (1900-1901). Copy to the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Political Agent for Pudukkóttai, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trichinopoly, 19th April 1900, Ref. on Cur. No. 141-O.—Pol.

I have the honour to submit the budget estimate of the Pudukkóttai State for fasli 1310.

2. Fasli 1309 opened with a balance of Rs. 6,89,377, including Rs. 4,00,000 in Government securities. The estimated closing balance was Rs. 3,53,430.

The estimated receipts amount to Rs. 8,32,645 and the estimated expenditure to Rs. 11,68,592, which results in a deficit of Rs. 3,35,947 on the year's revenue.

3. The Diwan in Council in the tabular statement of receipts and expenditure explains the variations from the budget and revised estimate. The receipts under Land Revenue for fasli 1309 fell by Rs. 2,60,000 owing to the bad season. In the budget estimate for fasli 1310, Rs. 6,00,000 are put down because the distressed ryots will scarcely by then have recovered from the effect of the present season. The decrease of Rs. 10,000 in the revised estimate under the head Excise is explained to be due to an unexpected fall in toddy revenue.

Under Miscellaneous Receipts the budget figure, viz., Rs. 5,000, came to Rs. 40,000 in the revised estimate. The increase is due to the deposits included in the defunct Amanut Fund having been transferred to the Ain.

The items of expenditure that require notice are—

1. *Refund.*—The increase of Rs. 16,000 in the budget estimate for the ensuing fasli is provided for to meet the claims that may possibly be put forward for lapsed deposits.

2. *Famine Relief.*—Under this head Rs. 1,00,000 and Rs. 200,000 are provided in the revised estimate for fasli 1309 and the budget estimate for fasli 1310, respectively. These allotments are very large and out of all proportion to the revenues of the State. At the same time it is to be observed that they would be insufficient, if relief were to be started on British lines. However, I have reason to believe that the Darbar only intends to increase the number of ordinary Public Works Department works, tanks, etc., so as to afford relief by work. In this case the allotment for this fasli—Rs. 1,00,000—may well be cut down to Rs. 25,000, and that for the next fasli to Rs. 1,00,000. I see no reason to anticipate an excess over this estimate. If the south-west monsoon fails, the State might well encourage emigration to Ceylon, where there is a very great demand for labour.

3. *Forest*:—The income from forests is put down at Rs 21,500; the expenditure at Rs. 10,280. The proportion which the latter bears to the former is very high, and the Darbar should set to work in earnest to increase its forest revenue. It has already made a step forward by leasing out some topes.

4. *Police.*—There is a decrease of Rs. 850 in the revised estimate. The Diwan explains that this is due to the vacancy not having been filled up yet. These vacancies appear to have now existed for some time, and as the efficiency of the Police force is thereby considerably impaired, it would be well if the Darbar were to direct the Police Superintendent to fill them up at once.

5. *Stationery and Printing.*—There is a decrease of Rs. 5,890 in the revised estimate owing to the new type not having been purchased, and an increase of Rs. 4,390 in the budget estimate for the ensuing fasli is for the purchase of the same.

6. *Village Conservancy.*—There is an increase of Rs. 7,000 in the revised estimate under head "Compensation for land acquired." This should have been paid some years ago and will be paid this next fasli.

The programme of public works appended to the Diwan's budget calls for no special remarks.

ORDER—No. 374, Political, dated 13th June 1900.

The following statement compares the budget estimates of the Pudukkóttai State for fasli 1310 (1900–1901) with the budget and revised estimates for fasli 1309 and the actuals of fasli 1308:—

—	Fasli 1308 (1898–99), actuals.	Fasli 1309 (1899–1900). Budget estimate.	Fasli 1309 (1899–1900). Revised estimate.	Fasli 1310 (1900–1901), Budget estimate.
Opening balance	4·95	4·83	6·89	3·53
Receipts	13·40	10·21	8·33	9·95
Expenditure	11·46	9·70	11·69	12·32
Surplus (+) Deficit (−)	+ 1·94	+ ·51	− 3·36	− 2·37
Closing balance	6·89	5·34	3·53	1·16

The estimates have been dealt with in detail in the communications from the Diwan in Council and the Political Agent.

2. The Government agrees with the remarks made by Mr. Shipley as regards the proposed allotments for famine relief and it considers that the Darbar would be well advised to deal with this question specially and separately when the necessity for such relief in the State arises.

3. In regard to the subject of forests, it is to be observed that it is not so much the question of forest revenue which has to be considered by the Darbar as that of placing the administration of the forests on a proper basis. There can be no doubt that with more efficient administration, which would naturally entail greater expenditure than at present, the revenues from this source would rise whilst the population of the State would be benefited.

4. The attention of the Darbar should be drawn to the Political Agent's remarks as regards the desirability of filling up vacancies in the Police department.

5. The following defects in the estimates are noticed:—

(i) In the column "Budget estimate for fasli 1309 (1899–1900)" the amounts of the opening and closing balances and the grand totals of receipts and expenditure should have been entered.

(ii) The amount (Rs. 5,33,910) quoted in paragraph 2 of the letter from the Diwan in Council as the anticipated opening balance of fasli 1309 (1899–1900) is, according to the figures furnished to Government last year, the closing balance of that year.

(iii) The figure (Rs. 3,53,430) entered in the estimates as the opening balance for fasli 1310 (1900–1901) cannot include a sum of Rs. 4,10,000 in Government paper as stated in the note against that figure. The error occurs in the figures of the revised estimate for fasli 1309 (1899–1900) which, whilst providing for expenditure to be covered by the sale of Government securities, does not make any mention of the sale of such securities.

(iv) From the remarks against the figures showing the opening balances for faslis 1309 (1899-1900) and 1310 (1900-1901), it would appear that a sum of Rs 10,000 was invested in Government securities during the former fasli. The transaction, however, does not appear among the items in the budget.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.

ENDORSEMENT—No. 375, Political, dated 13th June 1900.

Copy to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 382, 16th June 1900.

JUNE.

Civil Disabilities of Native Christian Converts in Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.

Communicating to the Most Revd. Archbishop Colgan, D.D., letter from the Government of India declining to modify the views it has already expressed on the subject of the —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., Nos. 224, 225, dated 2nd April 1900.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding to the Government of India copy of a communication received from the Most Revd. Archbishop Colgan, D.D., making certain observations regarding the views expressed by the Government of Madras on the subject of the civil disabilities of Native Christian converts in the Native States of Travancore and Cochin.

READ—also the following paper:—

From Captain H. DALY, C.I.E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 22nd May 1900, No. 2232 I-A.

I am directed to reply to your letter, No. 225, dated the 2nd April 1900, forwarding a copy of a communication in which the Most Revd. Archbishop Colgan, D.D., makes certain observations regarding the civil disabilities of Native Christian converts in the States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.

2. The Governor-General in Council sees no reason to modify the views which were expressed in the letter from the Government of India in the Foreign Department, No. 3021 I-A., dated the 7th November 1898. I am to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, the Archbishop may be informed accordingly.

ORDER—No. 382, Political, dated 16th June 1900.

Communicated to the Most Revd. Archbishop Colgan, D.D.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Most Revd. Archbishop Colgan, D.D.
" Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 389, 390, 18th June 1900.

JUNE.

Ata-ullah Khan.

Informing the Agent to the Governor-General, Quetta, that 'Aṭá-ulláh Khan's undrawn allowances were remitted on the 8th instant and that the current month's allowance was sent by telegraphic money order from Pudukkóttai, and requesting the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, to take steps to ensure that payments on 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán's account are promptly remitted in future. Copy to the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., Nos. 306, 307, Political, dated 5th May 1900.

Abstract.—Directing the District Magistrate, Kistna, to inform 'Aṭá-ulláh Khan that the Government is not prepared to reconsider the orders passed on his case and stating that, as soon as his health permits, those orders must be given effect to. Copy to the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan.

Read—also the following paper :—

Telegram from the Agent to the Governor-General, Quetta, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 31st May 1900, No. 314.

Your letter of 5th May. 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán has arrived Quetta, but I have not yet received the money referred to in your letter of 1st February, which only reached me yesterday by the hand of the police guard. Kindly direct money to be sent at once as 'Aṭá-ulláh is penniless.

Telegram to the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, dated 1st June 1900, No. 276.

From R. MORRIS, Esq., District Magistrate, Kistna, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Masulipatam, 25th May 1900, Dis. No. 413-D.—Mag.

With reference to G.O., No. 306, Political, dated 5th May 1900, I have the honour to inform you that the Superintendent of Police, in his letter, R.C. No. 1998 of 1899, dated 12th instant, reports that 'Aṭá-ulláKhan, State prisoner, was on 11th instant, deported to Quetta under police escort.

From R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Political Agent for Pudukkóttai, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trichinopoly, 12th June 1900, Ref. on Cur. No. 253-Pol.

With reference to your telegram, dated 1st instant, I have the honour to inform you that, with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 81, Political, dated 1st February 1900, the Diwan was requested to remit to the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan the monthly pension of Rs. 50 together with the undrawn arrears—*vide* copy of communication addressed to the Diwan on G.O., No. 81, Political, dated 1st February 1900, which was forwarded to Government with this office R.C. No. 253-O, dated 13th February 1900. The Diwan in reply now reports that the allowance of the State prisoner 'Aṭá-ulláh-Khán up to and inclusive of last month has been remitted regularly to the Treasury Deputy Collector, Kistna district, and that he requested him by wire on 3rd June 1900 to remit at once the undrawn arrears if any to the Agent to the Governor-General, Baluchistan. I have also requested the District Magistrate, Kistna, to remit the money at once to Baluchistan.

2. The allowance due to 'Aṭá-ulláh-Khán for this month has been remitted to the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan by telegraphic money order.

Telegram to the District Magistrate, Kistna, dated 15th June 1900, No. 312.

Telegram from the District Magistrate, Kistna, Masulipatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 16th June 1900.

Your telegram yesterday. Undrawn allowances of 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán remitted Quetta on 8th instant. Diwan informed.

Order—No. 389, Political, dated 18th June 1900.

The following telegram will be despatched:—

To the Agent to the Governor-General, Quetta.

"326. Your telegram 314, 31st May. Ascertained that 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán's undrawn allowances remitted to you 8th instant from Kistna district treasury and current month's allowance sent by telegraphic money order from Pudukkóttai."

2. The Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, will be requested, with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 81, Political, dated 1st February 1900, to take the necessary steps to ensure that payments on 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán's account are promptly remitted in future.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
" Accountant-General.

Endorsement—No. 390, Political, dated 18th June 1900.

Copy to the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan (with C.L.).

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 394, 19th June 1900.

JUNE.

Tangasseri Causeway.

Stating that the cost of the repair of the — will in the present case be borne by Government in the absence of any stipulation to the contrary in the lease, and that the most equitable arrangement would be to divide the cost of the maintenance of the — equally between the Darbar and the British Government, and requesting the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to ascertain and report if the Darbar has any objection to this arrangement being embodied in the next lease.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 206, Political, dated 27th April 1889.

Abstract.—Recording, with remarks, the report of the Resident in Travancore and Cochin on the history of the Anjengo and Tangasséri farms.

G.O., No. 444, Revenue, dated 31st January 1899.

Abstract.—Sanctioning the renewal of the leases of the Anjengo and Tangasséri farms on the existing terms for another year.

G.O., Mis. No. 4488, Revenue, dated 26th December 1899.

Read—the following paper:—

From A. H. Garrett, Esq., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Mangalore, 14th November 1899, No. 612-W.

I have the honour to inform you that, on the 31st October 1898, the Chief Engineer, Travancore, telegraphed to the Executive Engineer, West Coast Division, that the Tangasséri causeway had been breached and asked that funds might be allotted and orders given to start the work. The Executive Engineer, in reply, wired that work should be put in hand and an estimate sent.

2. On 21st March 1899, the Executive Engineer, West Coast Division, reported the above circumstances and also that the work had not been put in hand, but asked for instructions by wire to start the work, which was urgent, and for which an estimate, amounting to Rs. 2,196, had been received from the Chief Engineer. I replied by wire as follows:—

> "Work may commence, if urgent. If possible, make own arrangements. Sub-Overseer applied for."

3. On forwarding the estimate to the Presidency Port officer and asking him to allot funds, he replied that the cost of repairs to the causeway would not be a legitimate charge against Port funds, and this reply was communicated on 19th April 1899 to the Executive Engineer, who was asked to recover the cost of the work from the Travancore Darbar.

4. On 17th May 1899, the Executive Engineer replied that the Chief Engineer, Travancore, had not been placed in funds, and that he had been informed on 3rd May 1899 that funds could not be provided in the absence of further particulars about the causeway. To this letter the Chief Engineer, Travancore, gave no reply, but sent two telegrams asking that he might be provided with funds at once, and I was asked to state whether his request might be complied with. I answered on 26th May 1899 that before funds could be provided the Chief Engineer, Travancore, should furnish full particulars explaining why the cost of repairs should be borne by this department.

5. From the correspondence which ensued between the Collector, Chief Engineer, and the Executive Engineer, it would seem (*vide* sketch) that the road, which is in British territory, is maintained by the Travancore Darbar, that the cemetery belongs to us, and that there is a proposal to construct a light-house at the place shown on the tracing. It would seem, therefore, that the cemetery and the site for the light-house furnish the only reasons for asking Government to bear the cost of repairing the breach.

6. The Collector reports that it is in the interest of our Government to maintain the road, but that it has previously been maintained by the Travancore Darbar. He is unable to give any precedent for the claim now made, though in 1889 a small estimate, amounting to Rs. 225, for the repair of the sea wall near the flagstaff was sanctioned by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.

7. On receipt of the Executive Engineer's first letter (copy enclosed), I had no reason to suppose that there was any doubt about our being solely responsible for the maintenance of the work, but it now seems advisable to apply for the orders of Government, especially as a revised estimate, amounting to Rs. 4,582, has been received.

8. I understand that work was commenced in March 1899 on receipt of my telegram dated 24th March 1899. Considering that on 3rd May 1899 the Chief Engineer, Travancore, was informed that it was doubtful whether funds could be provided by us, I cannot understand, except on the assumption that the Travancore Darbar is largely interested in the upkeep of the causeway, why its repair has not only been completed but completed at a cost so largely in excess of the original estimate.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy of letter from C. J. USSHER, Esq., Executive Engineer, West Coast Division, to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle., dated 21st March 1899, No. 170-S.E.

In submitting an estimate, amounting to Rs. 2,196, for restoring the retaining wall of the Tangasséri causeway received from the Chief Engineer, Travancore, for approval and allotment of funds, I have the honour to inform you that on the 31st October 1898 a telegram was received from the Chief Engineer, Travancore, stating that a part of the retaining wall had been washed away and repairs were urgent and requesting instructions to start work and allot funds. In reply my predecessor telegraphed to put work in hand and furnish an estimate.

2. From the Chief Engineer's letter dated 15th instant, it appears that work has not been started, and he states that operation should be commenced at once and funds placed at his disposal. I therefore request instructions by wire whether I may authorise the Chief Engineer, Travancore, to go on with the work in anticipation of sanction of estimate and allotment of funds as the work is urgent.

No. 4760.

Referred to the Political Department with the request that the Resident in Travancore may be asked to ascertain and report on what grounds this department has been requested to provide the funds for the repair of the causeway at Tangasséri. The Travancore Darbar would appear to be solely concerned in the maintenance of this work.

(Signed) H. E. CLERK,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

23rd November 1899.

Order—Mis. No. 4488, Revenue, dated 26th December 1899.

The letter from the Superintending Engineer will be referred to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin with the request that he will report on what grounds the British Government has been called upon to provide the funds for the repair of the causeway at Tangasséri. The Travancore Darbar, as the lessee of Tangasséri, with

all its rents, customs, profits and produce as indicated in the lease deed, would seem to have long accepted the obligation of maintaining the causeway, and, if so, there is apparently no reason why this obligation should be now evaded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin,
through the Political Department.

Read—also the following papers :—

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cochin, 3rd April 1900, Ref. on C. No. 967.

I have the honour to reply to G.O., No. 19, dated 12th January 1900, forwarding G.O., No. 4488, Revenue, dated 26th December 1899, regarding the repair of the road at Tangasséri.

2. Tangasséri is a small promontory which juts out into the sea on the north of Quilon town. On the land side are some dwelling-houses and a Roman Catholic church and convent. The road then goes on to the rocky point which projects into the sea. On this rocky point formerly stood the flagstaff of the Master Attendant of Quilon, but that has been moved elsewhere. There are also two old cemeteries with many graves of Europeans which are noted in the printed list of the Malabar district. There is one inhabited bungalow; also there is a proposal now before the British authorities to erect a light-house on this point. The point was a fort in the days long previous to the British occupation, and the fort was cut off from the mainland by a foss. The road to the point has been carried over this ditch on an embankment which is on the south protected from the sea by a retaining wall, and this is what is called the causeway in the correspondence now under discussion. This causeway is supposed to have been constructed by the Portuguese or by the Dutch. At all events it was in existence long before the Travancore Darbar leased Tangasséri.

3. The Travancore Darbar holds Tangasséri from the British Government on an annual lease, paying Rs. 2,447 per annum. The income which the Darbar receives from the place does not cover the half of this sum, but the Darbar has hitherto thought the lease to be recompensed by the opportunity which it gives the Darbar to suppress smuggling from this inconvenient patch of British territory.

4. The records have now been searched for papers which may throw light on the question whether the Darbar or the British Government does repairs. There is a letter from the Resident, dated 17th July 1846, and the Diwan's reply, dated 13th October. From these letters it appears that because the Collector of Malabar permitted the Darbar to establish their chowkey or customs-house on the fort the Darbar consented to pay half the cost of some repairs to the causeway. Another letter from the Resident, dated 24th March 1854, states that the Resident approves of the Diwan executing some repairs. It does not appear who paid for the work. In the year 1889 the sea wall at the flagstaff was repaired at a cost of Rs. 225, and this was paid by the British Government. It is true that the Darbar does keep in order the surface of the roads, but this is a small expense, as the roads are laterite and the traffic over them is light.

5. In October 1898 the sea tore down thirty-five feet of the retaining wall and part of the roadway on the causeway. The Chief Engineer of Travancore telegraphed this news to the Executive Engineer at Calicut, who replied asking that the necessary steps be taken to repair damage and prevent further erosion and to submit an estimate. Thereupon the Travancore engineers requested him to place funds at their disposal, and they sent an estimate for Rs. 2,196. On 24th March the Calicut Executive

Engineer telegraphed—"Please start work retaining wall Tangasséri causeway." But in the meantime the breach had become worse and a revised estimate had become necessary, so that when the work was finished the cost came to Rs. 4,582.

6. I have seen this work and it cannot be regarded as ordinary road repairs. If this breach in the sea wall had not been repaired the sea would now be flowing between the point and the mainland.

7. The Travancore Darbar contends that the acceptance of an annual lease does not involve the undertaking of works such as this is.

8. I have replied to this reference at some length because it appears to me that the Travancore engineers acted throughout in a spirit of neighbourly courtesy.

9. The enclosures are returned and copies of the letters of 1846 and 1854 cited above are submitted.

Enclosures.

Letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Head Diwan Peishkar in charge, Travancore, dated 17th July 1846.

I have the honour to refer to your consideration copy of a letter from the Collector of Malabar, and the Sirkar will now have permission to establish their chowkey on the Tangasséri Fort; they will probably have no objection to share the expense of proposed repair to the causeway in question.

The total estimate is, I believe, about Rs. 696-14-0.

Letter from the Head Diwan Peishkar in charge, Travancore, to the British Resident, Travancore, dated 13th October 1846.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 1188 of the 17th July last, giving cover to a copy of one to your address from the Collector of Malabar.

In reply, I beg to inform you that His Highness the Raja has been pleased to sanction the payment, by the Sirkar, of a moiety of the expense of the proposed repairs to the causeway in Tangasséri estimated at Rs. 696-14-0.

Letter from the Resident, to the Diwan of Travancore, dated 24th March 1854.

In acknowledging receipt of your letter, No. 447 of the 16th instant, I have the honour to state that I approve of the repair of the Tangasséri causeway being executed as proposed by you.

No. 1041.

Transferred to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

10*th April* 1900.

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 2nd May 1900, Ref. on C. No. 1281.

In continuation of my letter, No. 967, dated 3rd April 1900, and with reference to paragraph 5 thereof, I have the honour to state that the Travancore Diwan reports, upon information received by him from the State Chief Engineer, that the expenditure actually incurred up to 12th March 1900 upon the repairs to the retaining wall and to a portion of the road upon the causeway at Tangasséri is Rs. 2,766 against the revised estimate of Rs. 4,582.

Order—No. 394, Political, dated 19th June 1900.

In the absence from the existing Tangasséri lease of any stipulation that expenses such as those now under discussion should be borne by the Travancore Darbar, the cost will in the present case be met by Government. His Excellency the Governor in Council considers, however, that the most equitable course would be to divide the cost of the maintenance of the causeway equally between the Darbar and the British Government, and the Resident in Travancore and Cochin will be requested to ascertain and report whether the Darbar has any objection to offer to this arrangement being embodied in the next lease which will run from the 13th July 1901.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.

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G.O., No. 395, 20th June 1900.

JUNE.

Census.

Communicating to the Revenue Department letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of the circular containing general instructions for the census of 1901, and requesting this Government to address the French authorities on the subject of the next —; and drawing the attention of the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Government of India's approval of the proposal that in the Native State of Cochin — may be taken on the morning of the 2nd March 1901.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 619, Political, dated 14th September 1899.

Abstract.—Communicating to the Revenue Department letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of correspondence with the Governor of the French Settlements in India on the subject of taking a census of the British subjects in the French possessions in India.

G.O , No. 16, Political, dated 11th January 1900.

Abstract.—Communicating to all Political officers, for early report, letter from the Government of India inquiring whether the 1st March 1901 would be suitable, in respect of Native States in the Madras Presidency, for taking the census of 1901.

G.O., No. 109, Political, dated 14th February 1900.

Abstract.—Forwarding telegram to the Government of India stating that 1st March 1901 will be suitable for taking the census in the Native States except Cochin which requests that census might be taken on the morning of 2nd March for certain reasons.

Read—also the following paper :—

From Captain H. DALY, C.I.E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 6th June 1900, No. 2457-I/A.

In continuation of my letter No. 3911-I/A, dated the 27th December 1899, I am directed to forward a copy of the circular letter marked on the margin containing general instructions for the census of 1901. There is no objection to the proposal regarding Cochin made in your telegram No. 62, dated the 14th February 1900.

No. 33-45, dated the 2nd April 1900, with enclosures.

2. With reference to the letter from the Government of India in the Foreign Department, No. 2564-I/A, dated the 5th September 1899, I am to request that the attention of the French authorities may be drawn to the fact that the schedule attached is framed in conformity with the proposals of the last International Conference so far as they are applicable to India and that the date selected is a convenient one with regard to festivals and auspicious days for native marriages. The French authorities are probably aware that in recent times the census of India has attracted considerable attention in Europe; and it would add greatly to the general interest and to the statistical value of the coming census if the entire population of both French and British India were enumerated on the same date and in the same form. In that case the Government of India would undertake to render such assistance in abstracting and tabulating the vernacular statistics for the use of the French authorities as might hereafter be agreed upon.

ENCLOSURES.

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Census), to the Local Governments and Administrations, dated Calcutta, the 2nd April 1900, No. 33-45.

I am directed to forward, for—————— a copy of a Resolution of the Government of India in the Home Department, No. 30-32, dated the 2nd April 1900, on the subject of the decennial census to be taken in 1901.

2. The Government of India have had under consideration the question of the agency to which the printing of the census schedules should be entrusted. On the occasion of the last census practically the whole of the English printing, and the greater part of the vernacular printing (except the Telugu and Marathi schedules, which were printed at Madras and Bombay, respectively) were concentrated at the Presidency Jail Press, Calcutta, the object being to avoid the necessity for putting up the same type twice. The experience gained has shown that this arrangement is unsuitable. In the first place the cost of composition bears a very small proportion to that of printing when so large a number of copies, as census printing involves, is dealt with. In the next place, the railway rates for the carriage of printed paper are double those for the carriage of blank paper. And, thirdly, if the source of supply is very distant, the number of emergent indents which have to be complied with by despatching schedules by passenger train is much greater. Moreover, the Presidency Jail Press at Calcutta has much work on hand and cannot now undertake the burden of printing the census schedules for most of the Provinces of India.

3. In consultation with the Census Commissioner, the Government of India have decided that the census printing should, as far as possible, be done locally, and I am to suggest that, if —————— no objection, the following arrangements be made for the necessary printing :—

For *Madras*, the printing should be done at the Government Press.

For *Bombay*, the printing for the Presidency proper should be done at the Government Press, and that for Sind at the Commissioner's Press, Karachi, which alone has the peculiar form of Arabic type used for Sindhi.

For *Bengal*, the work should be done at the Presidency Jail Press, Calcutta.

For the *North-Western Provinces and Oudh*, it should, at the option of the Local Government, be done either at the Government Press, Allahabad, at the Jail Press, Naini, or at Newal Kishore's Press, Lucknow.

For the *Punjab*, it should be done at Gulab Singh's Press, which did the printing in 1881 and 1891.

For *Burma*, it should be done at the Government Press, Rangoon.

For the *Central Provinces*, at the Jail Press, Nagpur.

For *Assam*, at Government Contractors (Caledonian Press), Calcutta.

The Chief Commissioners of Coorg and Ajmer-Merwara, the Agent to the Governor-General, Baluchistan, the Superintendent of Port Blair and other minor Administrations will, at their discretion, procure their schedules from the presses which are most conveniently situated for the purpose. I am to request that the Local Governments concerned will arrange for supplying the States subordinate to them with the necessary schedules.

4. I am to add that the Census Commissioner has seen Newal Kishore's Press, and that in his opinion it is quite equal to undertaking the printing of the census schedules. I am to forward, for the information of the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, a copy of a letter, No. 1433 P., dated the 12th December 1899, from that Press, giving rates, etc.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Home Department (Census),— under date Calcutta, 2nd April 1900, No. 30-32.

Read—

Home Department Resolution No. $\frac{\text{3-Census}}{\text{114—124-A}}$, dated the 1st July 1890.

Despatch to the Secretary of State, No. 13, dated the 2nd March 1899.

Revenue despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 140, dated the 11th May 1899, and enclosures.

The replies of the Local Governments and Administrations who were consulted thereon.

Resolution.—By Home Department notification No. 23, dated the 13th October 1899, Mr. H. H. Risley, C.I.E., I.C.S., was appointed Census Commissioner for India for the purpose

of the decennial census of 1901. Sanction has since been given to the appointment, from the 1st April 1900, of the following officers to be Provincial Superintendents of Census Operations:—

Madras	Mr. W. Francis, I.C.S.
Bombay	" R. E. Enthoven, I.C.S.
Bengal	" E. A. Gait, I.C.S.
North-Western Provinces and Oudh	" R. Burn, I.C.S.
Punjab	" H. A. Rose, I.C.S.
Burma	" C. C. Lowis, I.C.S.
Central Provinces	" R. V. Russell, I.C.S.
Assam	" B. C. Allen, I.C.S.
Hyderabad Assigned Districts	" A. D. Chinoy.

2. After consultation with the Census Commissioner the Government of India determined that it was unnecessary on this occasion to assemble a conference of the officers who had been engaged as Provincial Superintendents in conducting the census of 1891. The reports of the conferences held in 1878, in 1890 and in October 1891 embody in a clear and well-ordered form the experience acquired in the last three censuses of India, and the Census Commissioner himself, while recently on leave, has had the advantage of consulting Mr. J. A. Baines, c.s.i., the late Census Commissioner for India, Mr. Noel Humphreys, the Assistant Registrar-General for England and Wales, and other statistical authorities in Europe. At the present time, when the resources of the administration are strained by the prevalence of famine over a large area and by the persistence of plague in several localities, much inconvenience would have been caused by calling together from all parts of the country officers whose services are required in their own Provinces.

3. With his despatch of the 11th May 1899, the Secretary of State forwarded letters from the Registrar-General and from Mr. Baines containing certain suggestions for simplifying the procedure and reducing the particulars recorded for the bulk of the population. Local Governments and Administrations have been consulted on the subject, and the Census Commissioner has submitted his final proposals regarding the date on which the census should be taken, the form in which information should be collected, and the instructions to be issued to the enumerators. It now remains for the Governor-General in Council to pass orders on these points.

4. The census will be taken on the night of Friday, the 1st March 1901. The selection of the particular date is determined by several considerations. The moon will be at the full on the 5th March, and there will be light enough on the 1st to enable the enumerators to complete the work of checking the schedules before midnight; while on that date the people will not ordinarily have gone to the sacred rivers to attend the lunar bathing festivals. Auspicious days for marriages must be avoided and also the greater festivals and important fairs which take people away from their homes on a large scale. The date proposed complies with all these conditions and has been agreed to by Local Governments and Administrations. In some forest and desert tracts a synchronous enumeration may either be wholly impracticable or may have to be carried out on the morning of the 2nd March instead of on the night of the 1st. In such cases Local Governments and Administrations will determine, in consultation with the Census Commissioner, the procedure to be adopted, which will vary with the requirements of the locality, and will report their conclusions for the information of the Government of India.

5. The general and household schedules sanctioned for adoption throughout British India are given as appendices to this resolution in the form in which they will actually be issued after translation into the various vernacular languages. The instructions to enumerators, which are printed inside the cover of the general schedule, have been simplified and reduced in bulk, in view of the relatively illiterate character of the agency employed. They will be supplemented by a set of rules for the guidance of supervisors and charge superintendents, the general lines of which will be laid down by the Census Commissioner, and will be subject to such modifications as local conditions may render necessary.

6. In the general schedule itself the headings for sex, age, civil condition (married, unmarried or widowed) and birthplace deal with facts which are recognized as important for the purpose of comparative international statistics, and there can be no doubt as to the necessity for retaining them. In regard to the other headings dealing with religion, caste, occupation, language, ability to read and write English or a vernacular language, and mental or physical infirmity, the question of maintaining uniformity with the procedure of other nations does not arise, and they have to be considered merely with reference to the administrative utility and the intrinsic interest of the information which they are intended to record.

7. In connexion with religion it has been suggested that, as on the last occasion, a subsidiary column should be added showing the sect which each person belongs. After considering this point in its separate bearing on the Christian and non-Christian population, the Governor-General in Council has determined that the sects of Christians should be recorded, but has decided in the case of non-Christian sects to leave the matter to the discretion of Local Governments, who may either omit sects altogether, or, if they wish to have figures for particular sects only, may direct the enumerators to ascertain by special inquiry the number and distribution of those sects. This can readily be done by means of the rules for the guidance of supervisors and superintendents

referred to in paragraph 5 above. Or again, if this course is considered open to objection, the names of all sects might be recorded, but only those abstracted which are thought to be of special interest or importance. The case of Europeans and Eurasians is met by the rule for filling up column 4 of the household schedule, which instructs people to enter under religion the sect or denomination to which they belong. It is more difficult to obtain an accurate record of the sects or denominations of Native Christians, but the Government of India hope that comparative accuracy may be secured by directing the supervisors to inquire specially to what denomination the persons enumerated belong and by inviting the heads of various missions to instruct their people as to the answers to be given.

8. In order to simplify the final tables and expedite the publication of the results, Mr. Baines has proposed that the heading for caste should be omitted and the returns of 1891 made use of "as a standard until 1911." The balance of opinion, however, is strongly in favour of retaining that heading and the Governor-General in Council accepts this view, both on the general ground taken by Sir K. Seshadri Iyer that "the whole social fabric of India rests upon caste," and for the special reason that the caste statistics afford the best clue to the progress of the movement which Sir Alfred Lyall describes as "the gradual Brahmanising of the aboriginal, non-Aryan or casteless tribes," and to the changes in respect of widow and infant marriage which are known to be going on. There will be no heading for sub-caste, but this will not preclude Local Governments, who may consider it desirable to procure statistics for any particular sub-caste, from undertaking such inquiries on the lines indicated in paragraph 7.

9. The treatment of occupation for census purposes is everywhere recognized as a matter of extreme difficulty, and in India the subject is further complicated by the vague and general descriptions which the people give of their means of livelihood and by the fact that many industries are at present only imperfectly specialized. On this point the Governor-General in Council accepts the proposals of the Census Commissioner as set forth in columns 9, 10 and 11 of the schedule and the rules for filling them up. These are in general accord with the views of the latest International Conference on statistics and with the practice of several European countries, and they promise to avoid the confusion between dependants and actual workers which vitiated the results of the last census, and at the same time to bring out more clearly the prevalence of double occupations.

10. The remaining columns differ from those used in 1891 only in two respects: the attempt to record persons under instruction has been abandoned, and a separate column has been provided for persons who know English. The former change was recommended by the Census Conference of October 1891; the latter is justified by the importance of obtaining a complete record of the English-knowing population. Both proposals are accepted.

11. It is believed that the schedule and instructions now prescribed will be found suitable for use in the Native States, and it is very desirable that these States, which conducted their census operations in 1891 with conspicuous efficiency, should adopt the same forms and follow the same procedure as the districts of British India.

Order.—Ordered, that a copy of this resolution, with appendices, be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance, and that a copy be forwarded to the Foreign Department and to the Census Commissioner for India.

Ordered also, that the Resolution and appendices be published in the *Supplement to the Gazette of India.*

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. P. HEWETT,
Secretary to the Government of India.

Schedules (both general and household) containing instructions to enumerators, etc.

Order—No. 395, Political, dated 20th June 1900.

Communicated to the Revenue Department, in continuation of G.O., No. 619, Political, dated 14th September 1899.

2. The attention of the Resident in Travancore and Cochin will be drawn to the closing sentence of paragraph 1 of the letter of the Government of India read above.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 401, 402, 27th June 1900.

JUNE.

Civil Disabilities of Native Christian Converts in Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.

Forwarding, with remarks, to the Government of India a memorial addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council by South Indian Missionary Conference of 1900 regarding the —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From the Rev. JAMES COOLING, B.A., Secretary, South Indian Missionary Conference, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 22nd May 1900.

Herewith I have the honour to forward, for transmission to the Government of India, a memorial from a Conference of South India Protestant Missionaries which met in Madras in January last.

2. The prayer of the memorial is the removal of certain disabilities to which the Native Christians of the States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin are now subject.

3. In order that the Government of India may understand who the memorialists are and whom they represent, I beg to forward herewith two copies of the printed report of the Conference. On pages 13–16 will be found the names of the delegates and the missionary societies they belong to, and on pages 59–62 a record of the proceedings of the Conference which led to this memorial.

Enclosure.

Memorial of the South Indian Missionary Conference, Madras, dated 22nd May 1900.

Order—No. 401, Political, dated 27th June 1900.

The memorial will be forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Rev. James Cooling, B.A., Secretary,
South Indian Missionary Conference,
Wesleyan Mission House, Royapettah, Madras.

Letter—No. 402, Political, dated Ootacamund, 27th June 1900, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

I am directed to forward a memorial addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General of India in Council by the South Indian Missionary Conference of 1900 regarding the civil disabilities of Native Christian converts in the Native States of Travancore, Cochin and Mysore.

2. It will be observed that the memorial is similar to that from the Most Reverend Archbishop Colgan, D.D., which was disposed of in Captain Daly's letter, No. 2232-I.A., dated the 22nd May 1900.

3. The Governor in Council has, I am to say, no recommendation to make on behalf of the memorialists.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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ANNEXURE.

Memorial of the South Indian Missionary Conference, to His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council, dated Madras, 22nd May 1900.

Humbly Sheweth,—That this Conference, consisting of Protestant Missionaries representing almost all the missionary societies at work in South India, desires to express its deep sense of the injustice done to converts to Christianity in the Native States of Travancore, Cochin and Mysore in depriving them of civil rights, solely on the ground of their change in religious convictions.

2. It further desires to express its deep regret that the Government of India, in its letter, No. 3021-I.A., dated Simla, November 7th, 1898, refuses to advise the Governments of these Native States to remove this injustice on the following grounds:—

(*a*) That the societies in question are opposed to such a measure;
(*b*) that the Roman Catholics did not join in the memorial presented to the Government of India on the subject;
(*c*) that the converts already gained by Christianity are from classes destitute of property, and that legislation is therefore uncalled for.

3. Your memorialists would respectfully urge—

(*a*) that while Act XXI of 1850 has, for the last fifty years, been in operation in British India, where the same classes of people as exist in these Native States are found in large numbers, and the same joint family system prevails to a large extent, it has produced no evil result to the social fabric of the country;
(*b*) that the silence of the Roman Catholic Church up to the present does not affect the real merits of the case, and
(*c*) that the statement that converts are from classes destitute of property is disproved by the fact that on several occasions cases involving property have been brought before the Courts of Travancore, and but for the adverse decision of the Courts which have ruled that "a convert to Christianity loses *ipso facto* all rights to the property of the family to which he was entitled before his conversion" many more cases would have been brought to notice.

We would therefore respectfully point out that because people are of low caste it does not necessarily follow that they are of, or belong to, "classes destitute of property."

4. The regret of your memorialists at the decision of the Government of India is intensified by the fact that when this order was issued the Mysore Government was engaged in drafting a regulation which would have secured to Native Christian converts in that State rights of property of whatever kind, but on receipt of that order, the Mysore Government felt compelled to abandon its proposed legislation.

5. Your memorialists therefore pray that the Government of India will reconsider its decision, and by encouraging the Mysore Government in its spontaneous efforts to remove some of the disabilities complained of, and by advising the Governments of Travancore and Cochin to proceed on the same lines, or to adopt Act XXI of 1850, assist in obtaining for Native Christian converts in Native States the religious liberty and civil rights which the same class enjoy in British India.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Government {1900} of Madras.

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G.O., No. 405, 27th June 1900.

JUNE.

The Muhammadan Gosha Widows' Aid Charity Fund.

Stating that a simple receipt from Mrs. Firth for payments made on account of rice dole will be sufficient for purposes of audit, and that the new forms and registers accepted by the Committee of the — may be adopted from the commencement of the current year, and directing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to issue instructions accordingly.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 334, Political, dated 19th May 1900.

Abstract.—Passing orders on the report on the audit of the accounts of the Muhammadan Gosha Widows' Aid Charity Fund from June 1897 to December 1899.

Read—also the following paper :—

From Colonel H. H. HARVEY-KELLY, I.S.C., Officiating Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chepâk, 21st June 1900, No. 202.

With reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 334, Political, dated 19th May 1900, I have the honour to enclose copy of the proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Gosha Fund held on the 18th instant for the perusal of Government.

2. As the Government Order under reference was received in this office on the 1st of June 1900, the new forms and registers suggested by the auditor will be introduced from 1st July 1900.

3. Under the reasons given in the second paragraph of the enclosed proceedings of the Committee, I recommend that a simple receipt from Mrs. Firth for payments made on account of rice dole will answer the purpose instead of a schedule showing the names of payees, the amounts paid in each case, &c., as suggested by the auditor in the second part of paragraph 5 of his letter embodied with Government Order under reference.

Enclosure.

A meeting of the Executive Committee held at the Paymaster's office, Chepâk, on Monday, 18th June 1900, at 5–30 p.m.

Present :

(1) Colonel H. H. Harvey-Kelly, I.S.C., — *President.*
(2) G. M. Ḥasan 'Alí Khán Bahádur,
(3) Ghulám Muḥammad Khán Ṣáḥib,
(4) Auzam Ḥusain Ṣáḥib,
(5) Haji Maulavi Aḥmad 'Alí Ṣáḥib,
(6) Ḥáfiz Muḥammad 'Abd-uṣ-ṣamad Khán Bahádur, — (2)–(6) *Members.*
(7) Mrs. Firth,
(8) Mír Ghulám-i-'Abbas Ṣáḥib, — (7)–(8) *Joint Secretaries.*

1. The accounts were shown and passed as correct.

2. Read G.O., No. 334, Political, dated 19th May 1900.

Resolved that the orders of Government be carried out, but that in view of the trouble taken by Mrs. Firth in the rice doles and that she personally sees that the payments are made, the submission of a simple receipt given by her in support of the payment is sufficient. Mrs. Firth has represented that the procedure recommended by the auditor only entails considerable clerical labour without apparently any corresponding advantage. The Committee recommends that this be brought to the notice of Government.

3. Read letter from the Secretary to the Prince of Arcot intimating that the Prince's subscription to the Gosha fund is reduced from Rs. 15 to Rs. 12 per mensem.

Resolved that the letter be recorded.

4. Read letter from Muhammad Ali Sahib requesting to appoint him a member of the Committee.

Resolved that his application be accepted with thanks.

5. The Committee note with regret the death of Raja Eshwar Doss Dryawant Bahadur and resolved that a letter of condolence be sent to his son.

6. Resolved that a copy of these proceedings be circulated to all the members and subscribers of the fund.

Order—No. 405, Political, dated 27th June 1900.

For the reasons stated in the enclosure to the letter from the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, read above, the Government considers that a simple receipt from Mrs. Firth will be sufficient, the detail schedule proposed in the second clause of paragraph 5 of the auditor's report forwarded with the Accountant-General's No. O.A.-88,* dated 3rd April 1900, being dispensed with.

* In G.O., No. 334, Political, dated 19th May 1900.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Paymaster's letter, the Government is of opinion that the adoption of the new forms and registers accepted by the Committee of the fund, with effect from the commencement of the current year, viz., from 1st January 1900, would amply repay the trouble involved. The Paymaster will be requested to issue instructions accordingly.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
" Accountant-General.